

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Eppes et al.	Examiner:	Nguyen, J.
Serial No.:	09/586,192	Group Art Unit:	2858
Filed:	June 2, 2000	Docket No.:	AMDA.477PA
Title:	INTEGRATED CIRCUIT RESISTIVE HEATING SYSTEM AND METHOD THEREFOR		

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is in response to the first Office Action dated August 1, 2001.

Remarks

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks. For the following reasons set forth, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable over the cited references.

The Office Action dated August 1, 2001 indicated that: claim 1-30 stands rejected under Section 112(2) as being indefinite; and under the doctrine of obvious-type double patenting with reference to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/585,921, but this rejection may be overcome with a timely-filed 37 CFR 1.321 Terminal Disclaimer.

While Applicant agrees that the obvious-type double patenting rejection can be readily overcome by filing a Terminal Disclaimer, Applicant must traverse the rejection because the prior art does not teach or suggest the claimed invention, and the Office Action does not evidence any aspect of the prior art that would substantiate the implied conclusion in the Office Action that the prior art suggests forming being equivalent to thermally coupling in the context of the object being a plurality of heating elements in the die, and, while operating the die, selectively

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Per our recent telephone inquiry with Customer Service 2800, it was discovered that the USPTO may not have entered the scheduled Office Action Response originally filed by first class mail with signed certificate under 37 CFR 1.8 on November 1, 2001.

It is understood that this Response will be accorded the filing date of November 1, 2001, within three months from the date of the first office action.

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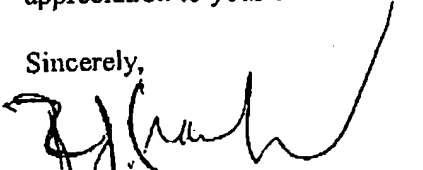
Ms. Stapor, Group 2800 Customer Service Representative:

Attached please find a second facsimile request for entry of the Office Action Response as was timely filed on November 1, 2001. Please note that this Response was originally filed during the disruption of mailing services and irradiation efforts which occurred during the months following September 2001.

Following a status check by our office in January 2003, we faxed a copy of this Response deposited under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 at the behest of Sheila of Group 2800 (a copy of the facsimile receipt confirmation is attached). We were given a facsimile number for entry and were assured that the Response would be entered and accorded the filing date of the Certificate.

We understand that this second facsimile request will conclude this matter, with much appreciation to your careful attention regarding this matter on behalf of the Applicant.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Crawford, Reg. 32,122

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